

## Health Insurance Premium and Cost-Sharing Assistance service standards



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### Service category definition

Health Insurance Premium and Cost-Sharing Assistance (HIPCSA) is the provision of financial assistance for eligible people living with HIV to maintain a continuity of health insurance or to receive medical benefits under a health insurance program. This includes premiums, deductibles, co-payments, and co-insurance. The insurance plan provides comprehensive primary care and a full range of HIV medications.

### Intake and eligibility

Refer to the current [Utah Ryan White Part B Program Manual](#).

### Key service components and activities

HIPCSA helps people living with HIV with continuous access to health insurance coverage and care, not limited to HIV treatment; therefore, resulting in greater overall client health outcomes. Continuous health insurance eliminates gaps in coverage, disruption of treatment, and reduces the burden on publicly-funded medical care systems.

Ryan White Part B (RWB) funds for HIPCSA can be used toward premiums, deductibles, co-payments, and co-insurance for plans whose drug benefits are equivalent to those provided by ADAP medication assistance. RWB funds cannot be used toward out-of-network costs or co-payments associated with hospitalization and/or emergency room care.

### Monitoring standards

Monitoring is completed through quality assurance practices outlined by the RWB program and pharmacy benefits manager contract monitoring.

### Applicable Universal service standards

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| A. Access to care                                  | D. Eligibility determination/screening |
| B. Records management                              | E. Client-related policies             |
| C. Staff requirements/<br>personnel qualifications | F. Fiscal                              |
|  | G. Quality management                  |

**Commented [VW1]:** Allison, There is more information in the NMS (pages 9-11) related to this service standard. We also don't have any measures on this is that accurate?

**Commented [AA2R1]:** Yes, there are no measurements. This service is to provide Health Insurance Premiums and Copay assistance and outlines what a client can expect from this service. There is no partner monitoring or measurements listed in the service standard because it is completed through universal monitoring standards as well as contract measures that are listed in SGRX's contract

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### Resources

- HRSA RW Program Services: Eligible Individuals & Allowable Uses of Funds Policy Clarification Notice (PCN) #16-02  
<https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/ryanwhite/grants/service-category-pcn-16-02-final.pdf>
- HRSA Policy Clarification Notice #18-01: Clarifications Regarding Use of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Funds for Health Care Coverage Premium and Cost-sharing Assistance: <https://hab.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/hab/program-grants-management/18-01-use-of-rwhap-funds-for-premium-and-cost-sharing-assistance.pdf>
- 2022 Utah Ryan White Part B Program Manual <https://ptc.health.utah.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2022-Utah-Ryan-White-Part-B-Manual-Final-.pdf>
- Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) National Monitoring Standards for RWHAP Part B Recipients  
<https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/ryanwhite/grants/2022-rwhap-nms-part-b.pdf>

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